

Special Education Monthly/Year-End Snapshot

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

Public and State Operated Schools only

This is a reminder for School Districts uploading their Monthly/Year-End Special Education Snapshot, please remember to upload a <u>complete file of all special education students</u> in the first upload to 2015-2016 Year End Collection. The Monthly/Year-End Special Education Snapshot is the source of special education data to be compared with data provided by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that occurs on the 24th day of each month for the purpose of creating the Medicaid in Public Schools (MIPS) claim forms/lists. Participation in MIPS is required by Nebraska Revised Statute 43-2511.

When the district uploads its first Special Education Snapshot for 2015-2016 Year End, it must be a complete file and include all special education students. After the initial upload for year-end, individual records can be uploaded in the monthly updates. A monthly Special Education Snapshot must be submitted when there are new students in special education and whenever there are changes in Physical Therapy, Occupational Therapy or Speech Therapy services.



Title I Schoolwide Intent Forms – Due: November 15

Contact: Beth Wooster (402-471-2452 or beth.wooster@nebraska.gov)

For buildings that do <u>not</u> currently have a Title I Schoolwide Program, but meet the minimum 40% poverty requirement and wish to develop a plan to become Schoolwide for 2016-17 school year, please submit the Title I Schoolwide Intent form by November 15, 2015. The Intent form can be found on the Title I webpage http://www.education.ne.gov/federalprograms/Title%20I%20Part%20A.html under Schoolwide Program and Resources.



2014-15 GMS Final Reimbursement Requests - Due: November 15

Contact: Shane Rhian (402-471-4313 or shane.rhian@nebraska.gov)

Final reimbursement requests for federally funded grants paid through GMS are due to NDE Financial Services, in approvable format, by November 15, 2015.

Applicable grants include:

- McKinney Homeless Grant
- No Child Left Behind (NCLB)
 - Title IA
 - o Title ID
 - o Title IIA
 - o Title IID
 - o Title III-IE
 - o Title III-LEP
- Title I Accountability Funds

- Title IC Migrant
- SPED IDEA Consolidated
 - 4404 Base
 - o 4406 Preschool
 - o 4410 E/P
 - 4411 CEIS
 - o 4412 Non-Public

When submitting reimbursement requests, keep the following in mind:

- Supporting documentation needs to be supplied for journal entries and credit card procurement charges.
- When making payments to individuals, be specific as to what the payment is for
- For parent activities, be specific as to what was purchased and who participated in the activity
- Whenever computers are purchased with Title I Funds, they must be listed on the consolidated application
 on the Capital Outlay/Equipment Operational Equipment page. Computer purchases cannot be approved if
 they are not listed. This includes electronic items such as iPad, iPod, Kindles, or anything considered small
 and attractive.
- Service Provider tab must be completed for all non-school district service providers for IDEA grants and supporting invoices submitted.
- Please ensure that the request is marked as a Final by checking the appropriate box and (Re)Calculate Closeout before submitting.
- Supporting documentation for Title II Part A must provide sufficient information to identify the "content" of
 the professional development activity. Professional development activity is to improve student achievement
 in the core academic areas. Funds should only be used for staff working in these areas. Refer to the ESEA
 Title II, Part A Non-Regulatory Guidance for appropriate use of funds.
- A reminder, NCLB funds can never be paid to a non-public school.

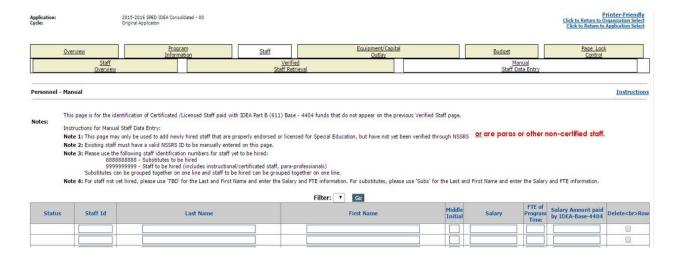


REMINDER!

2015-16 Sped IDEA Consolidated Grant (GMS) Staff Instructions Update - Due: Dec 15

Contact: NDE Special Education Regional Representative

Clarification: The IDEA Consolidated grant (GMS) staff page instructions have been amended. **All** district non-certified staff will require manual addition to the grant application. Refer to notes in **RED** on the graphic below:



Contact: Pete Biaggio (402-471-2471 or pete.biaggio@nebraska.gov)

The 2015-16 Sped IDEA Consolidated application opened in the GMS Wednesday, October 21, with a due date of December 15 (11:59 p.m.). Check the NDE Portal for any updates.



The following collections are currently open in the Consolidated Data Collection (CDC)

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

Please refer to the CDC Calendar which is located on the NSSRS Resources page at http://www.education.ne.gov/nssrs/Resources.html#Instructions and also review the instructions available in each of the CDC collections for further details about each collection.

Technology Plan (Nonpublic optional)

District Technology, Education, Assessment and Management Plan.

Due Date: November 30 Audit Window Close Date: February 15, 2016
Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, State Operated and ESU's

For more information, contact SuAnn Witt - suann.witt@nebraska.gov (402) 471-2085

Teacher Vacancy Survey (CDC Collection)

The annual Teacher Vacancy Survey collects statewide teacher vacancy information which is used to determine teacher shortage areas. This information is used to qualify content areas eligible for a number of state and federal teacher loan forgiveness opportunities and to inform research regarding teacher supply and shortage initiatives. Public districts, Nonpublic systems and Educational Service Units will find the Teacher Vacancy Survey in the Portal under the CDC. **Due Date November 10**

Collection completed by Public, Nonpublic, ESU's

For more information, contact: Karen Buller - karen.buller@nebraska.gov (402) 471-4837

Title I Annual Caseload Count of Children In Local Institutions For Neglected or Delinquent

The purpose of this annual caseload count is to provide the State Educational Agency with current information on the location and number of children living in institutions for neglected or delinquent children, or in local correctional institutions. The information collected will be used in the Title I formula for computing allocations for local educational agencies. **Due Date: December 5**

Collection completed by Public

For more information, contact Pat Frost – pat.frost@nebraska.gov (402) 471-2478



2015-16 ESEA/NCLB Consolidated Application – Due: November 12

Contact: Diane Stuehmer (402-471-1740 or diane.stuehmer@nebraska.gov) or the NCLB Reviewer for your District.

The consolidated application includes the following grant programs:

- -Title I, Part A
- -Title I, Part D
- -Title II, Part A
- -Title III (LEP & IE)

Title I Needs Improvement information is included now in the application. Needs Improvement information for Title III Annual Measurable Achievement Objectives and Accountability for Highly Qualified Teachers will not be available until a later date. Districts will be notified if needing to complete either of the sections that will be added later.



Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA) Part B MOE - Eligibility Standard

Opened: September 21 – Due Date: November 15

Contact: Pete Biaggio (402-471-4308 or pete.biaggio@nebraska.gov)

School district eligibility for receipt of Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (IDEA Part B) funds are contingent upon maintaining fiscal effort from year to year. Districts are to report within this application special education expenditures and child counts to establish eligibility for the receipt of current year IDEA Part B funds through the Grant Management system (GMS).



State of the Schools Report (SOSR) Calendar for 2015

Contact: NDE Helpdesk (888-285-0556 or nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov)

The following provides the dates when data and decisions will be available for review in the 2014-2015 SOSR Preview prior to public release. Once the Report Card is released to the public, the data will not be changed so it is important for Districts to review their data. The 2014-2015 SOSR Preview will be available through the NDE Portal.

Date	Activity	Public/District
Aug. 26, 2015	2014-2015 SOSR District Preview opens with the following data:	District only
	Data from End-of-Year NSSRS Reports	
	Preliminary AYP results for the 30 day review	
	NeSA Reading, Math and Science results (disaggregated)	
Sept., 25, 2015	Last day AYP Appeals will be accepted	District Only
Oct. 16, 2015	SOSR 2014-2015 Report Card released to the public	Public
Nov. 13, 2015	Graduation, Drop-out, Highly Mobile, and School Mobility data	District Only
	added to the 2014-2015 SOSR District Preview	
Nov. 20, 2015	Graduation, Drop-out, Highly Mobile, and School Mobility data	Public
	added to the Public SOSR 2014-2015 Report Card	

HOW TO CONTACT THE NDE HELPDESK

There are three ways to contact the NDE Helpdesk with questions.

All three ways get to the same place, so <u>please only use one of the following options</u>. If you send more than one request this may delay our response as we coordinate all requests.

1. Submit a "Helpdesk Request" from your portal account. After logging into the NDE Portal, it is available in the upper right corner of the Collection Announcement page. This will be the fastest way to get your request to the NDE Helpdesk.

OR

2. Email: nde.helpdesk@nebraska.gov

OR

3. Call Toll Free: 888-285-0556 - This is a Voicemail line ONLY.

Please leave your full name, organization, call back number and a brief description of your question.

ALSO: If you have contacted the NDE Program Staff person, please do not also contact the Helpdesk. Multiple contacts will delay the response.

NDE Bulletins: Past and Present:

Current and past NDE Bulletins can be found at http://www.education.ne.gov/ndebulletins/index.html. We will also continue to send the bulletin out via e-mail.

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